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SUBJ: ATC SALES IN SPAIN

REF: MADRID 6297, STATE 222825

1. BEGIN SUMMARY: LARROQUE, GARCIA-CONDE, PLUS TWO ATC EXPERTS COMING WASHINGTON SEE CARY NOV 7 AND 8. DETAILED GOS REQUEST FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AIR MAILED OCT 21 DIRECTLY TO CARY OF FAA AND FAA PARIS AND BRUSSELS. LARROQUE SAID AIR MINISTRY HAS DECIDED ON PURCHASE US ATC EQUIPMENT. END SUMMARY

2. ENRIQUE LARROQUE, DIRECTOR GENERAL INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL COOPERATION SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTRY, SUMMONED ECON COUNS AND EMBOFF OCT 21. ANNOUNCED THAT AIR MINISTRY HAD DECIDED MAIN PURCHASE OF ATC (AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL) EQUIPMENT WAS TO BE AMERICAN, AS OPPOSED TO EUROPEAN. COMMENT: LARROQUE HAS FREQUENTLY CHARACTERIZED HIMSELF AS PARTISAN OF AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY AND HAS MADE MANY VAGUE REFERENCES PRESSURES ON SPANISH GOVERNMENT TO BUY FRENCH EQUIPMENT IN CONVERSATIONS WITH EMBOFFS. COMMENT 2: IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT GARCIA-CONDE HAS STATED THAT A PRO FORMA APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS WOULD BE REQUIRED  
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(MADRID 5511). HOWEVER, THE LATTER BELIEVES HIS OWN

RECOMMENDATION WILL BE ACCEPTED BOTH BY HIS SUPERIORS IN THE AIR MINISTRY AND BY COUNCIL OF MINISTERS. END COMMENTS

3. LARROQUE STATED HE, GARCIA-CONDE, AND TWO AS YET UNNAMED EXPERTS FROM AIR MINISTRY PLAN FLY WASHINGTON NOV 6 AND BE AVAILABLE FOR DETAILED CONSULTATIONS RE FAA ASSISTANCE NOV 7 AND 8 BEFORE RETURNING NOV 9. LARROQUE AND GARCIA-CONDE PREVIOUSLY IN WASHINGTON LAST MARCH (STATE 271827). DEPARTMENT AND FAA SHOULD NOTE THAT ALTHOUGH LARROQUE FLUENT IN ENGLISH, GARCIA-CONDE UNCOMFORTABLE IN THAT LANGUAGE.

4. LARROQUE ALSO HANDED ECON COUNS 13-PAGE "PLANNING TASKS FOR THE FUTURE MADRID CENTER." COPY THIS DOCUMENT BEING SENT DIRECTLY TO ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR CARY, FAA, AS WELL AS TO MESSRS. PIERRE IN PARIS AND PACE IN BRUSSELS. LARROQUE STRESSED THAT HE WOULD APPRECIATE APPROPRIATE USG OFFICIALS READING DOCUMENT IN SUFFICIENT TIME SO THAT ANY QUESTIONS COULD BE WIRED TO EMBASSY MADRID PROMPTLY ENOUGH FOR THESE OFFICIALS TO BRING THE ANSWERS TO WASHINGTON NOV 7.  
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